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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2007, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this submission.